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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION USINFO WASHDC, INFO SECSTATE, MARCH 20,
FROM USIS PANAMA REPEATED TO YOU:

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PANAMA CITY, MARCH 20, 1973 - FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SPEECH TO
BE DELIVERED BY AMBASSADOR JOHN SCALI BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL
MARCH 20, 1973

I JOIN PREVIOUS SPEAKERS TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TOO THE PRESIDENT,
THE GOVERNMENT, AND THE PEOPLE OF PANAMA FOR THE ADMIRABLE
ORGANIZATION OF THIS MEETING BY THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT AND
FOR THE WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED HERE. IT
IS INDEED AN EXHILARATING EXPERIENCE TO SEE THE DETERMINATION,
DEDICATION AND DEVOTION OF THE PANAMANIAN PEOPLE WHICH IS EVIDENT
IN THE BUSTLING ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, REFLECTED MOST VISIBLY IN THE
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PACE OF CONSTRUCTION WE SEE AROUND US.

" CONSIDERATION OF MEASURES FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY IN LATIN AMERICAN IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PROVISIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER." THAT IS THE AGENDA ITEM FOR THESE MEETINGS IN PANAMA.

FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY, THE NATIONS OF LATIN AMERICA HAVE DEMONSTRATED AN ENVIABLE AND UNPARALLELED RECORD IN ACHIEVING AND MAINTAINING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY ON THIS CONTINENT. THEY NOT ONLY HAVE AVOIDED MAJOR INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS. USIS RESTITUTION QUESTION WOULD BETTER BE TREATED AS SEPARATE ITEM WITH FONOFF DIRECTOR GENERAL BUT I FORESEE NO HARM IN LETTING LOWER LEVELS FOREIGN MINISTRY KNOW THAT WASHINGTON IS UNLIKELY TO SPEED UP GRANT AUTHORIZATION IF BDG SEEMS TO BE DRAGGING ITS FEET ON SIMPLE PROCEDURAL CHORE OF GIVING US A WRITTEN IOU FOR SOME 128 THOUSAND DOLLARS. ALTHOUGH THIS BDG OBLIGATION DOES NOT SEEM TO BE DIRECTLY RELEVANT, WE ARE NOT UNMINDFUL OF IMPERATIVES RECENTLY RESTATED IN STATE 048653. OUR PROBLEM IS NOT WITH FONOFF APPRECIATION OF TOPIC ZSOBHAN' S INITIATIVE WAS REPORTED IN DACCA 0924) BUT RATHER TO GALVANIZE SOMEONE TO BELL THE CAT IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, WHERE TAJUDDIN STILL PRESIDES.
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